

New man in town

There's a new man on Governing Council and the Academic Affairs Committee. William A.M. Birt, 57, has been appointed by the Ontario government to replace John Bassett, who resigned effective Nov. 8.

Born in Wales, Birt was a flight lieutenant in the Royal Air Force during the Second World War. He joined Shell Canada in 1951 and is now general manager of employee relations, reporting directly to the company president.



Britten's *Rape of Lucretia* presented by Opera Division

The Opera Division of the Faculty of Music will present Benjamin Britten's dramatic opera, *The Rape of Lucretia*, on Friday and Saturday evenings Dec. 8, 9, 15 and 16 at 8 p.m. in the MacMillan Theatre, Edward Johnson Building.

The complete production (staged, costumed and with orchestra) will be conducted by Michael Evans, a graduate of the Faculty of Music, who conducted last year's production of Britten's *Albert Herring*, directed by Michael Albano, who has also come up through the ranks of the Opera Division and is making his debut directing a full production; and designed by Brian Jackson, one of Canada's leading costume and set designers.

Based on the play *Le Viol de Lucrece* by André Obey and set to English text by Ronald Duncan, Britten's dramatic two-act opera is set in ancient Rome. It is the story of ambition, jealousy and lust, as the chaste and beautiful Lucretia struggles to remain faithful to her marriage vows during the turbulent period of Etruscan rule.

Reserved tickets are available from the box office, Edward Johnson Building at \$4, students and senior citizens \$2.50. For information, call 978-3744.

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# Bulletin

## Who should see student records and which records should be seen,

Academic Affairs Committee members debate at Nov. 23 meeting

A new chapter in what Robin Ross calls "this endless matter" of access to student academic records was opened at the Academic Affairs Committee meeting Nov. 23.

Ross, vice-principal (administration) at Erindale College, has spent the past three years attempting to formulate an access policy acceptable to all divisions of the University. A draft policy paper was debated by the Academic Affairs Committee last spring, but agreement could not be reached. Ross then held further consultations and produced a redraft of his March 20 paper.

Under the revised policy, a student would have access to the official record kept on him or her in the faculty office but not necessarily to records maintained in the department. Also the student would not have access to medical certificates, letters of reference, or documents relating to petitions or appeals.

Dean Bernard Etkin, an assessor member of the committee, said it would be "monstrous" to imagine that all significant documentation on a student would be included in faculty files. Narrative evaluations of lab work, term

work and thesis material would be in departmental files, he said. Having confidential and non-confidential sections in student files, he added, would be difficult and potentially dangerous to administer. A new staff member could inadvertently show a student classified records and the result could be a lawsuit.

The redrafted policy would permit access to "narrative evaluations of a student's academic performance used to judge progress through an academic program"; however, Ross acknowledged

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## Social and political aspects of University investment

to be dealt with according to procedures agreed upon by External and Business Affairs Committees

Establishing a mechanism to deal with social and political aspects of University investment policy was a topic of concern to both the External Affairs and Business Affairs Committees at recent meetings.

Maximum economic return should be the exclusive criterion for purchase and sale of stock in all normal circumstances, Business Affairs agreed. It did, however, feel that in specific instances where the University's social responsibility as an investor was questioned, "credible and effective procedures for responding should exist".

The Yale University concept of social injury has been adopted by External Affairs as the criterion for initiating a request for University action. According to the Yale concept, social injury means "the injurious impact which the activities of a company are found to have on consumers, employees, or other persons, particularly including activities which violate or frustrate the enforcement of rules of domestic or international law intended to protect individuals against deprivation of health, safety or basic freedoms; for purposes of these guidelines, social injury shall not

consist of doing business with other companies which are themselves engaged in socially injurious activities."

Following the establishment of social injury, steps to bring the issue to the attention of the University community should include: "the preparation of a convincing brief establishing the case; the presentation of evidence of general concern in the University community by the collection of signatures; the examination of the evidence and preparation of a recommendation by a

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## No market for television services

facility should be disbanded, Planning & Resources recommends

The death knell was sounded for the Television Production Service (TPS) Nov. 20 when the Planning & Resources Committee approved administrative recommendations to disband the unit and return production functions to the Media Centre.

The dissolution means that five jobs within TPS and the Media Centre will become redundant, and that the University will no longer be able to produce high-quality television productions suitable for sale to other institutions and to television networks. Instead, emphasis will shift to programs intended primarily as teaching aids for internal use.

The ability of the University to fund major television productions in the face of financial constraints was first called into question in 1975. At that time, a task force chaired by Professor R. W. Van Fossen concluded that the University

should continue to provide colour television productions of high quality, but in order to cut down on costs, and possibly become self-supporting, that the technical units of the Media Centre and the Faculty of Medicine be combined into one unit. The two units amalgamated in 1976 and became TPS. In the three years of its existence, income generated from TPS's users both inside and outside the University has fallen short of expenses, and has been insufficient to provide for equipment obsolescence.

By its third year of operation, 1978-79, two factors contributed to another review of the University's commitment to television production: TPS, in its preliminary budget to the 1978-79 budget committee, proposed to spend \$303,000 for equipment replacement. In addition, TPS was required to operate as an ancillary enterprise for the first time on a total cost-recovery

basis, including provision for depreciation of equipment. As a result, the net expenses of TPS for 1978-79 would have increased from \$17,000 in 1977-78 to \$85,000. The budget committee rejected the TPS proposal and recommended that an administrative review take place "to review the need for and the most effective means of providing television production facilities". It was the report of this review committee, headed by Professor R.W. Missen, that recommended that TPS be dissolved, and that, in order to continue providing television services at a much reduced cost, a modified technical facility, based on ¾" videotape format, as opposed to the present 1" format, should be maintained in the Media Centre.

Before the committee's recommendations were approved by P & R, several

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# PhD Orals

Since it is sometimes necessary to change the date or time of an oral examination, please confirm the information given in these listings with the PhD oral office, telephone, 978-5258.

## Tuesday, December 5

Carol Kern Everson, Department of Political Economy, "The Interrelationship of Utilization, Maintenance and Investment Decisions with an Application to Railroad Freight Cars." Thesis supervisor: Prof. M. Fuss. Room 307, 63 St. George St., 10 a.m.

Frank Wilson, Department of Educational Theory, "Body Image and Personal Space: An Exploratory Investigation." Thesis supervisor: Prof. O. Weininger. Room 111, 63 St. George St., 10 a.m.

## Wednesday, December 6

Shuzo Uyenaka, Department of East Asian Studies, "A Study of *Baishoron*, A Source for the Ideology of Imperial Loyalty in Medieval Japan." Thesis supervisor: Prof. J. Brownlee. Room 307, 63 St. George St., 1.30 p.m.

Gerald Dale Taylor, Department of Educational Theory, "Social Factors and the Education and Occupational Ambition of Youth in Ontario." Thesis supervisor: Prof. E. Harvey. Room 111, 63 St. George St., 2 p.m.

## Thursday, December 7

Anthony Collins Klug, Department of Computer Science, "Theory of Database Mappings." Thesis supervisor: Prof. D. Tsichritzis. Room 309, 63 St. George St., 1 p.m.

Joseph Herman Schwarz, Department of Educational Theory, "Political Socialization Process in the Israeli Kibbutz." Thesis supervisor: Prof. H. Troper. Room 111, 63 St. George St., 10 a.m.

## Friday, December 8

Allister Blaine Currie, Department of Educational Theory, "An Interprovincial Comparison of Educational Investments and Outcomes in Atlantic Canada." Thesis supervisor: Prof. L. Bezeau. Room 111, 63 St. George St., 10 a.m.

John Joseph Rasmus, Department of Political Economy, "The Political Economy of Wage-Price Controls in the U.S., 1971-74." Thesis supervisor: Prof. C.B. Macpherson. Room 307, 63 St. George St., 2 p.m.

Michael John Fagan, Department of Educational Theory, "Student, Teacher and Classroom Level Variables as Determinants of Self Concept Among Elementary School Students." Thesis supervisor: Prof. A. Effrat. Room 111, 63 St. George St., 3 p.m.

## Monday, December 11

Brian John Galligan, Department of Political Economy, "Judicial Review of Socialist Policy in a Federal State: A Study of the Australian Constitution with Special Reference to the Period 1940-1950." Thesis supervisor: Prof. P.H. Russell. Room 111, 63 St. George St., 10 a.m.

## Tuesday, December 12

Joan Ann Wood, Department of Chemistry, "A Spectral Study of Acid Base Equilibria in Non-Aqueous Solvents." Thesis supervisor: Prof. R.A. McClelland. Room 309, 63 St. George St., 10 a.m.

## Thursday, December 14

Marjorie Joyce Perkins, Department of Educational Theory, "Evaluation of Two Variations of an In-Service Training Program on Appraisal of Oral Language." Thesis supervisor: Prof. S. Mieztis. Room 111, 63 St. George St., 10 a.m.

## Friday, December 15

Bi-Chong Wang, Department of Chemical Engineering, "Estimation of Parameters in Dynamic Systems." Thesis supervisor: Prof. R. Luus. Room 309, 63 St. George St., 10 a.m.

# Job Openings

Below is a partial list of job openings at the University. Interested applicants should read the Promotional Opportunity postings on their staff bulletin boards, or telephone the Personnel Office for further information. The number in brackets following the name of the department in the list indicates the personnel officer responsible. Please call: (1) Sylvia Holland, 978-6470; (2) Penny Tai-Pow, 978-5468; (3) Manfred Wewers, 978-4834; (4) Ann Sarsfield, 978-2112; (5) Barb Lipton, 978-4518; (6) Clive Pyne, 978-4419.

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Psychology (1), Preventive Medicine & Biostatistics, temporary (2)

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Hart House (5)

**Administrative Assistant II** (\$13,740 — 16,170 — 18,600)  
Private Funding (3)

**Computer Operator II** (\$11,770 — 13,850 — 15,930) (pro-rated)  
Faculty of Library Science, sessional (6)

**Secretary** (part-time, temporary)  
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Scarborough College (6), Erindale (6), St. George (6)

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**Control Technician** (\$13,740 — 16,170 — 18,600)  
Physical Plant (6)

**Production Co-ordinator** (\$13,740 — 16,170 — 18,600)  
Student Record Services (3)

**Senior Electrical Draftsman—Draftsman III** (\$14,430 — 16,980 — 19,530)  
Physical Plant (6)

**Editor** (\$16,910 — 19,900 — 22,890)  
Information Services (3)

**Senior Mechanical Maintenance and Operations Analyst**  
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## First year enrolment is on target says William Kent, director of admissions

Figures released recently show that first year enrolment at the University meets or exceeds projections in most divisions.

In a report on applications, admissions and registrations for undergraduate degree and diploma courses for 1978-79, William Kent, director of admissions, points out that a high percentage of the students who accepted offers of admission did, in fact, register.

In the largest division, the Faculty of Arts & Science, 3,700 students accepted offers of admission to the St. George campus, and 3,600 were registered on Nov. 1. Similar high registration rates were experienced in other divisions.

While there has been an increase in the acceptance rate for first year students who have been offered admission to Erindale and Scarborough, these two colleges were slightly under their first year objectives as a result of a decline in the overall applicant pool for arts and science programs.

In the case of Erindale College, 1,015 new students were registered in the first year against a projected target of 1,200. In the case of Scarborough College, the number of new first year students registered was 1,100 against a projected target of 1,250. Both colleges experienced an increase in admissions to upper years and in part-time enrolment.

Other highlights of the report are: a shift in the number of applications received for arts and science programs to programs in applied science and engineering; and a substantial increase in applications for part-time admission and special student status, i.e. students who are taking degree courses but are not proceeding towards a U of T degree.

While the completed registration figures are not yet available for some of the other divisions (such as graduate studies, law and dentistry) Kent said "it appears certain that on an overall basis the University will meet its enrolment objectives for 1978-79".

## Landscape architecture chairman

Professor William Rock, Jr. has recently been appointed to a five-year term as chairman of the Department of Landscape Architecture. This appointment was effective February 1, 1978. He succeeds Professor Edward H. Fife who was acting chairman during fall term 1977-78 and Professor Richard A. Strong, currently on sabbatical.

Prof. Rock has been at the University since 1972. He has directed many community design projects in Toronto with students — the Bellevue and Ramsden Park studies; an urban open space development study with then local aldermen John Sewell and Ying Hope; and a study of the natural, cultural and visual landscape features of the Don River Valley from the Toronto Brick Works to Cherry Beach.

He has recently completed a booklet titled *Play Spaces For Preschoolers* published by CMHC and was a consultant to the Harbourfront Park, Toronto, responsible for the development of the adventure and creative play areas as well as other landscape features.

Along with work in Toronto he has done extensive lecturing in recent years at Nova Scotia Technical College, Guelph University, Conway School of Landscape Design, the University of Wisconsin —



Milwaukee, and the University of Illinois/Chicago Circle Campus.

One of his most significant projects was the development of a Landscape and Recreation Plan for the Children's Services Section of Douglas Memorial Hospital, Montreal, a treatment facility for emotionally disturbed and mentally retarded children.

# Research News

### Arctic working group

The Arctic Working Group is preparing a submission to the Department of Indian & Northern Affairs for a block grant. As in the past, researchers may apply to the Office of Research Administration for inclusion in the proposal. The conditions applying to an individual researcher's proposal are: that the researcher will have a research program in the Arctic during the summer of 1979; and that the researcher can use any funds awarded to allow one or more graduate trainees to work on some aspect of the existing research program during the summer of 1979. Deadline for submission to ORA is *December 8*. Call ORA at 978-2163 for information concerning the application format.

### Sugar Association funds research

The Sugar Association, Inc., the public information and education arm of the sugar industry in matters of nutrition and health, seeks out and supports scientific research projects that may add to the existing body of knowledge relating to sugar and health. Priorities for research funding by the association currently are in the following order: dental caries, obesity, heart disease, diabetes, and miscellaneous health and nutrition problems. The deadline for submissions of proposals to the agency is *January 15*.

For further information, call ORA at 978-2163.

### International development award

The objectives of the International Development Research Centre are to initiate, encourage, support and conduct research into the problems of the developing regions of the world and into the means for applying scientific, technical and other knowledge to the economic and social advancement of those regions. The centre is presently supporting research in the following fields: agriculture, food and nutrition sciences; information sciences; population and health sciences; and social sciences and human resources.

The research associate award is designed to provide opportunities for Canadian professionals at the mid-career level to take a "sabbatical year" to undertake training, research or investigation in the international development field.

Applicants must be at least 35 years of age, and be a Canadian citizen or have a minimum of three years landed immigrant status. The deadline for submission is *February 15*.

For further information and application forms, call ORA at 978-2163.

### Air pollution research

The Research Grants Program of the Ontario Ministry of the Environment was developed in order to encourage applied research directed towards providing the information and techniques necessary for the attainment and maintenance of a high standard of air quality in Ontario and to maintain in the province a high level of competence in air pollution science and technology. For the 1978-79 competition, the ministry has defined the following research grant priorities: hazardous airborne contaminants; new technology; effects of atmospheric contaminants on receptors; atmospheric chemistry; and instrumentation development. The deadline for submission of proposals to the agency is *February 28*.

Further information is available from ORA; call 978-2163.

### NSERC strategic grants

The NSERC has set *May 1* as the deadline for submission of applications in the third competition for strategic grants. This will be the only competition for new applications during the 1979-80 fiscal year. In future competitions any researcher in a Canadian university

who is eligible to apply for a regular NSERC grant will be eligible to apply for a strategic grant. In the case of group grants, the co-investigators need not be working in an area normally supported by NSERC but the main thrust of the research program should be within the natural sciences and engineering. Any further changes in the program will be announced by early in the new year.

### No new proposals accepted for drug abuse research

Health and Welfare Canada announces that, due to financial constraints, it will not be accepting new or continuing proposals to the Research on Drug Abuse (RODA) program for the 1979-80 fiscal year. This covers the following deadlines: October 1978, April 1979 and October 1979.

### Health research and development program

Health and Welfare Canada announces that, as a result of the recently announced reductions in federal expenditures, the dates for receipt of applications in the research and development program have had to be changed. The next deadline for new contributions or awards will now be *May 31, 1979*, for possible funding on or after April 1, 1980.

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Father Mallon joined the St. Michael's faculty in 1940. From 1961 to 1963 he was vice-president of Assumption University, Windsor, rejoining the St. Michael's faculty in 1963. Following his retirement from teaching, in addition to his duties as Superior at the college, Father Mallon kept in close contact with former students by editing and publishing the St. Michael's alumni newsletter.

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## One minister, two portfolios OCUFA recommends to Stephenson

The Ontario Confederation of University Faculty Associations (OCUFA) has recommended to the Hon. Bette Stephenson that, for the time being, Ontario should keep separate Ministries of Education and of Colleges & Universities, and should have one minister hold both portfolios on an experimental basis.

OCUFA also recommended, in a brief to Stephenson, that a ministerial advisory committee, consisting of representatives from all parts of education, business and labour should be created for three years to provide the minister with advice on the direction and goals of education for the next decade.

In making its recommendations, OCUFA said both existing ministries possess experienced and effective staff to deal with their respective systems. "The benefits of a merger might at this time be outweighed by the disruption it would inevitably produce," says the OCUFA brief.

The professors' brief says that education in Ontario is not a single uniform system. It expressed fears that a reduction in diversity in favour of uniformity might produce a social loss far outweighing any compensatory savings in administrative expense.

## Scarborough students pledge \$400,000 for construction of library facilities

Using a slogan "make this the year that makes the difference" students at Scarborough College voted to participate in the financing of a new library for themselves and succeeding students at the college.

Forty percent of the student body voted and nine out of ten voters approved the referendum question of whether or not to pladge \$400,000 to the Update campaign to be raised through a donation of \$10 per student per year with the gift earmarked for the Scarborough College library. The library project is designated as one of six major capital projects of the Update campaign now underway at the University and is the

number one priority for Scarborough College.

Provincial cutbacks in capital projects for universities caught Scarborough College in the middle of phased-growth expansion, with the library facility the next to be built. Temporary housing of library stacks and study space still occupies the same 17,000 square feet allotted for library use when the college opened with 190 students. The college now serves 4,500 people.

The proposed new library will require construction that will cost about \$1.5 million. A request for capital funding has been before the province for the past two years.

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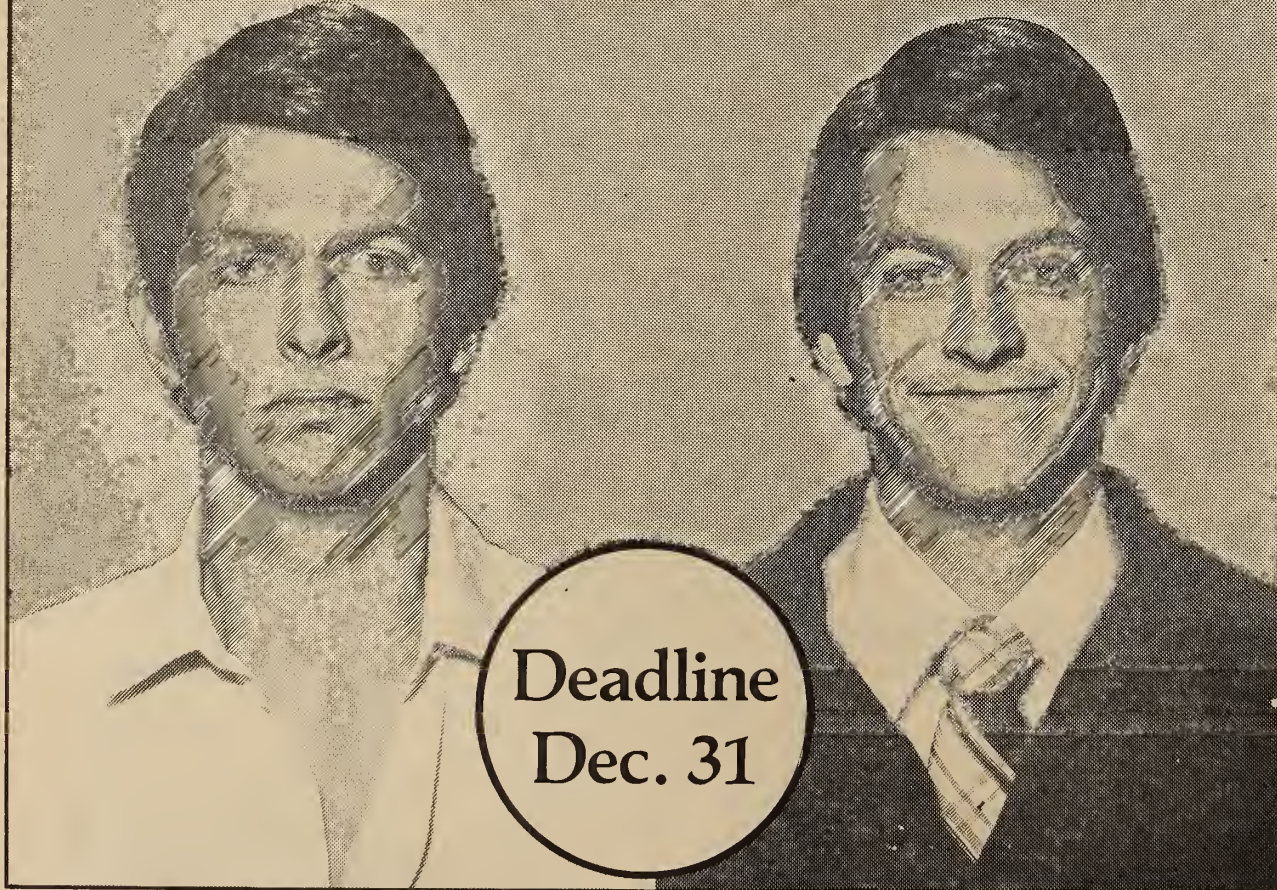
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## Academic appointments

Second terms of office were approved by the Academic Affairs Committee Nov. 23 for Professor G.W. Heinke, as chairman of the Department of Civil Engineering, and for Professor J.H. deLeeuw, as director of the Institute for Aerospace Studies. They will continue to hold office until June 30, 1984.

Professor James F. Burke, associate dean, Division I, School of Graduate Studies, had his term of office extended for a year until June 30, 1980.

## Video series by Desmond Morton

*Canadians in Conflict* is the title of a six-part videocassette series of half-hour programs written by Dean Desmond Morton of Erindale College. The episodes are titled *Bread and Roses: the Struggle of Canadian Working Women*, *The Conscript Crisis 1917*, *Saskatchewan 1885*, *The Winnipeg General Strike 1919*, *The Great Temperance Crusade*, and *Immigration*.

This is one of three new videocassette series focussing on specific elements of the Canadian way of life, past and present. Presented by Ford of Canada and produced by the U of T Media Centre, the programs combine still photographs, narration, and film to create a blend of scholarship and topical interest.

The series can be rented or purchased from the U of T Press and is catalogued in the audio-visual section of the Sigmund Samuel Library.

## A safe and merry Christmas

A tragic fire in a U.S. college residence two years ago killed nine students and seriously injured two others. The fire spread rapidly because corridors and doors were heavily decorated with Christmas trees, wreaths and paper.

To guard against a similar mishap at U of T, Physical Plant Director William Lye has issued safety guidelines and announced that spot checks will be made throughout the holiday season. Decorations failing to comply with the guidelines will be removed at departmental expense.

Trees must be non-flammable and of a non-conductive material or flame-proofed by a reliable firm and placed in water kept well above the cut of the trunk. They must be well-supported, placed away from sources of heat, and located so as not to block an exit should they fall. Christmas trees must be removed no later than the tenth day after installation.

Flammable decorations are forbidden and metallic streamers are not to be in contact with light sockets. Lights must have been approved by the Canadian Standards Association or the Underwriters' Laboratories of Canada. Extensive wiring must be installed by a qualified electrician.



## No market for TPS

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members expressed their uneasiness about shutting down TPS.

"This decision seems to me to be a great pity, and one that we'll regret five years from now," said Principal William Saywell. "Can we not take another stab at finding ways of funding a service that has provided a quality product?"

Graduate student representative Anthony Usher also suggested that perhaps the review committee had not fully explored all potential sources of revenue, and wondered if collaboration with other universities might not be a means of keeping TPS alive.

Dean John Ricker expressed his misgivings about the recommendations. "They will have the effect of making us amateurish in this type of operation. We are reducing our television capacity to an amateurish, instructional enterprise and are giving up the attempt to compete externally for additional sources of income."

Missen responded by telling committee members that TPS was an underused service, and the television medium was one which "our colleagues had not taken to".

"While some of you think we're going too far, others think we're not going far enough. We have made a compromise. We're going to maintain certain services, but not with an overkill of investment."

President James Ham elaborated on Missen's remarks. "This University has not made use of the facilities at a level which would encourage long-term commitment. This may be an unpleasant reality, but we cannot say to anyone 'use television more', much as we may wish to do so."

"As for co-operating with other universities, a study of inter-institutional collaboration has made it clear that there are few areas where significant savings of resources can be achieved by co-operation."

"The reality is that we do not have enough resources, and this must be faced."

Daniel Lang, Director of University Planning & Analysis, told P & R that the review "tried very hard to get evidence of a market" for TPS productions, but said there was a lack of any evidence of a real demand and need for the service.

However, he said, "if there was a practical alternative, it would have been found. We exhausted every source in the University that would have provided an alternative."

In other business, P & R was asked to look at the resource implications of a professorship in community health given by the Frank Gerstein Foundation, to be situated at Mt. Sinai Hospital and U of T. P & R decided to postpone approval of the resource implications until a contractual agreement between the hospital and the University is drawn up, which will clearly define how much of the funding of the professorship will have to come from the University.

## The archives wants you

The next time you plan a meeting or make a speech, think of posterity. The University archives is interested in collecting all papers, talks and public lectures delivered at U of T, as well as the proceedings of conferences and symposia. Materials may be submitted in printed, manuscript, typescript, or taped form. When requested, use can be restricted for a stipulated period. Accepted copyright procedures are observed. Submissions and enquiries should be submitted to Harold Averill, assistant archivist, University Archives, 120 St. George St., Toronto, M5S 1A5 (telephone 978-5342).

## Faculty of Law seeks dean

The President has appointed a search committee to recommend a successor to Professor M. Friedland, as dean of the Faculty of Law for a term beginning July 1, 1979. The membership of the committee is as follows:

Dr. D.A. Chant, vice-president and provost, *chairman*; Dr. D.B. Cook, executive assistant to the provost, *secretary*; D.S. Affleck, alumnus; Professors J.B. Laskin, Faculty of Law; Lorna Marsden, chairperson, Department of Sociology; B.J. Reiter, Faculty of Law; Ralph Scane, Faculty of Law;

R.J. Sharpe, Faculty of Law; G.A.B. Watson, director, Centre for Criminology; A.S. Weinrib, Faculty of Law; Jerome Bickenbach, 1st year student, Faculty of Law; Christopher Grauer, 3rd year student, Faculty of Law; David Petras, 2nd year student, Faculty of Law; and Prof. D. Nowlan, vice-dean, School of Graduate Studies.

The committee welcomes nominations and comments. These may be submitted to the chairman, room 219, Simcoe Hall or to any member of the committee.

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that each division would probably define "narrative evaluation" in a different way.

Committee member Beverley Batten contended that the degree of flexibility permitted the divisions was too vague. She also suggested that documentation related to petitions and appeals should be considered as narrative material affecting academic progress. The result of an appeal procedure could mean "progress" right out of the University, she said.

Batten further objected that, while the policy would give students the right to challenge their academic records and request supplemental comments from identified sources, the wording is such that a division could conceivably refuse such a request.

Under the section defining access by U of T student organizations, Batten pointed out that phone numbers were not included in the information to be provided. Phone numbers are currently provided and are "really important" to the effective functioning of student groups, she said.

On questions of procedure rather than policy, committee member Merrijoy Kelner suggested that teaching assistants, as students themselves, should not have direct access to classified material in a student's file but should work through the professor. Committee member Dr. J.T. Mayhall proposed that requests by faculty members to see a student's

file should be made in writing and a list of those granted access should be placed in the file for the student to see.

Vice-President & Provost Donald Chant proposed that Professor J.B. Dunlop, chairman of the Academic Appeals Board, be invited to offer his views on the access policy when it is discussed at the next Academic Affairs Committee meeting.

The proposed access policy would apply initially only to undergraduate divisions of the University, with the graduate divisions having up to six months to propose a policy acceptable to them. If approved by Governing Council, the policy would be reviewed by the Academic Affairs Committee within three years.

In other business, Professor A.E. Safarian was named to the Committee for Honorary Degrees and Dr. Mayhall will represent the Academic Affairs Committee on the Advisory Committee on the Library System.

Approval was given to amendments to the 1978-79 calendar for the School of Graduate Studies; the review of the Advisory Committee on Instructional Media; and amendments to the constitution of Woodsworth College Council.

The next meeting will be Dec. 7.

## Social and political aspects

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representative committee advisory to the President; and finally, a decision about action by the President after scrutiny by his advisory board."

Machinery necessary to implement the steps was, after considerable discussion, endorsed by both committees. A summary of the specific procedures proposed follows.

"Responsibility for initiating a request for University action rests with members of the University community. One or more individuals would prepare a fully documented brief identifying the social injury that should influence investment decisions or exercise of shareholders' responsibilities. When the case has been fully prepared, the instigators of the action would secure support for their cause through the medium of at least 300 signatures endorsing the initiative. Up to 200 of the signatures could come from a single constituency of the University community (faculty, students, administrative staff, and alumni members); the remaining 100 signatures must be from at least two other University constituencies with a minimum of 25 signatures from any one constituency.

When signatures have been added to the argument, the material would be deposited in the Office of the President for the attention of the advisory board charged with the responsibility for

reviewing the evidence and recommending a course of University action. This board would be established by the President with one Governing Council representative from each constituency (faculty, students, administrative staff, alumni and government appointee members), with the vice-president — business affairs as chairman.

"The advisory board having considered the material, would recommend to the President for or against action; the President may take the recommendation to Governing Council. Possible courses of positive action would include: private questioning of the corporate management on the accuracy, extent and implications of the conduct complained of; private urging of change in the corporate practice if response to the questions indicates complaints are justified; supporting stockholders' resolutions critical of management by voting proxies; preparing and presenting stockholders' resolutions critical of management practice; divestment of holdings.

"The President would report all initiatives suggested and all actions taken to the Governing Council at appropriate intervals," the proposal concludes.

This policy will be presented to Governing Council for approval at its Dec. 21 meeting.

## Press Notes

We were a bit taken aback to get such a good idea from so unlikely a source: 'Why not give readers a selection of the better books available for gift-giving this Christmas?' the memo from Administration suggested. After reviewing hundreds of books we realised just how daunting that task would be.

*Faced with a tricky problem the resourceful man does not panic. He does not wring his hands, bite his nails, whimper. He coolly examines other means, other approaches; the brain, the nerves packed in ice.*

David Stimpson, our Book Department Manager, was obviously the one to stick with this job. David has been a member of umpteen standing committees sitting on things literary. As well as that he once won a television set for predicting exactly the sales of a future bestseller. Judgement to be trusted. Here are his *ex cathedra* selections.

### \* Ten gift books (Canadian)

*Karsh Canadians* Yousuf Karsh \$27.50

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*The National Ballet of Canada* Celia Franca, photographs by Ken Bell \$24.95

*Landmarks of Canadian Art* Peter Mellen \$50.00

*Karen Kain: Lady of Dance* David Street, illus; David Mason, text \$14.95

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*Danby: Images of Sport* Ken Danby. Hubert de Santana, text \$39.95

### \* Five non-fiction titles

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\$15.95  
*Robert Kennedy and his Times* Arthur M. Schlesinger, Jr. \$20.50

*The Bronfman Dynasty* Peter C. Newman \$17.95

*Ontario since 1867* Joseph Schull \$15.95

*A Distant Mirror: The Calamitous 14th Century* Barbara W. Tuchman \$21.00

### \* Five fiction titles

*Chesapeake* James A. Michener \$15.95

*The World according to Garp* John Irving \$13.95

*Death of a Lady's Man* Leonard Cohen \$10.00

*War and Remembrance* Herman Wouk \$17.50

*The Stories of John Cheever* \$19.50

All of the titles listed above are available for perusal in the Bookroom. As is the store's perennial bestseller: *A Manual for Writers of Term Papers, Theses, and Dissertations*. Kate L. Turabian \$4.00 (paperback), Gift wrapped, \$4.50.

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# Events

## Lectures

*Monday, December 4*

### **Lagrangian Methods and Derived Correspondence.**

Prof. David Jackson, University of Waterloo. Room 257, McLennan Physical Laboratories. 4 p.m. (Computer Science)

### **The Contemporary Relevance of Islamic Religion.**

Prof. W. Montgomery-Watt, University of Edinburgh. Upper Library, Massey College. 4.15 p.m. (Middle East & Islamic Studies and Centre for Religious Studies)

*Tuesday, December 5*

### **Theory of Database Mappings.**

Anthony Klug, University of Wisconsin, PhD candidate (U of T). Room 257, McLennan Physical Laboratories. 4 p.m. (Computer Science)

### **Empirical Operating System Research.**

Dr. W. Donald Frazer, IBM T.J. Watson Research Laboratory, New York. Room 103, McLennan Physical Laboratories. 4 p.m. (Computer Science)

*Wednesday, December 6*

### **A Polynomial Time Algorithm for Embedding a Graph on an Orientable Surface.**

Prof. Ian Filotti, Columbia University, New York. Room 103, McLennan Physical Laboratories. 4 p.m. (Computer Science and SGS)

*Thursday, December 7*

### **From Religious Peoplehood to Secular Jewish Nationalism: The Crisis of Transition.**

Prof. Ellis Rivkin, Hebrew Union College, Cincinnati. Room 1069, Sidney Smith Hall. 9.00 a.m. (The Joseph and Gertie Schwartz Memorial Lectures)

*Thursday, December 7*

### **Viking Explores Mars.**

Prof. C.T. Bolton, Department of

Astronomy. Room 2072, South Building, Erindale College. 4 p.m. (First in a series of four.)

*Friday, December 8*

### **Human Rights in Ontario.**

Daniel G. Hill, special advisor to the President and human rights consultant. Final talk in Lunch and Learn Series II, "Human Rights and Civil Liberties". Innis College Town Hall. 12.15 p.m. (Continuing Studies)

*Friday, December 8*

### **Russian Conjugation: Acquisition and Evolutive Change.**

Prof. Henning Anderson, University of Copenhagen. Room 2111, Sidney Smith Hall. 2.10 p.m. (Slavic Languages and Literatures and SGS)

*Monday, December 11*

### **The Immunopathology Laboratory, Present and Future.**

Dr. Sharad Deodhar, the Cleveland Clinic. Room 2173, Medical Sciences building. 4.30 p.m. (Department of Pathology and Academy of Medicine)

### **Immunopathology Made Relevant.**

Dr. Sharad Deodhar, the Cleveland Clinic. New Meeting Rooms, Academy of Medicine. 8 p.m. (Department of Pathology and Academy of Medicine)

*Friday, December 15*

### **Early Black History in Toronto.**

Daniel G. Hill, president, Ontario Black History Society. First lecture in Lunch & Learn Club Series III, "Early Black History in Toronto"; membership for four series of lectures, \$25. Information, 978-2400. Innis College Town Hall, 12.15 p.m. (Continuing Studies)

6 p.m. Dinner, 6.30 p.m. Tickets available at the program office, telephone 978-2446.

### **The Lady of Pleasure.**

Play by James Shirley, produced by the Centre for the Study of Drama, directed by Dorothy Kelleher. Admission free. Reservations: 978-4010 (until 6 p.m.; 978-8705 after 6 p.m. on evenings of performance. Dec. 6 to 9 and 13 to 16. Studio Theatre, 4 Glen Morris St. 8 p.m.

*Monday, December 11*

### **Revolver Club Annual Turkey Shoot.**

The rifle range, Hart House. 7 p.m. Entry fee, \$2.

158 Lash Miller Chemical Laboratories. 4 p.m.

*Tuesday, December 13*

### **Colleges and Universities: The Odd Couple.**

Dr. James Colvin, president, Fanshawe College; discussant, Prof. D.F. Forster, University of Guelph. Second of six in Higher Education Colloquium 78-79, "Ideas of the University". Board Room. 12th floor, OISE, 252 Bloor St. W. 4 to 6 p.m.

## Miscellany

*Tuesday, December 5*

### **Dr. Mayer Rabinowitz.**

Dr. Rabinowitz of the Jewish Theological Seminary, New York, will meet with students of Jewish studies. For appointments call 978-5311. Room 5009, Sidney Smith Hall. 9.30 a.m. to 12 noon.

### **Hart House Christmas Tree.**

A celebration of Christmas. Festivities will include carols, a reading of "A Child's Christmas in Wales", the Hart House Chorus, Santa Claus and more. Children over 7 years are welcome. Great Hall, Hart House. 8 p.m.

*Wednesday, December 6*

### **Hart House Dinner Series.**

Guest speaker: President James Ham. refreshments in Gallery Common Room,

## Colloquia

*Wednesday, December 6*

### **On making the involuntary voluntary.**

Dr. Herb Kimmel, University of South Florida. 2135 Sidney Smith Hall. 4 p.m. (Department of Psychology and SGS)

### **Circumstellar dust envelopes: Calculation of eclipse light curves and fringe visibilities.**

Dennis Crabtree, U of T. 137 McLennan Physical Laboratories. 4 p.m. Tea in room 1404 at 3.30 p.m.

*Friday, December 8*

### **Platinum complexes; probes of polynucleotide structure and anti-tumour drugs.**

Prof. S. Lippard, Columbia University.

## Seminars

*Monday, December 4*

### **Phase transition in an electron gas on the surface of liquid helium.**

Mike (C.C.) Grimes, Bell Labs. Room 137, McLennan Physical Laboratories, 4.10 p.m.

*Tuesday, December 5*

### **A New Approach to Systematic Synthesis Design.**

Prof. T.B. Hendrickson, Brandeis University. 161 Lash Miller. 4 p.m.

*Wednesday, December 6*

### **Obadiah the Proselyte and his Autographed Memoirs of Crusading Times.**

Prof. Norman Golb, Oriental Institute, University of Chicago. Boardroom, room 2035, New College, 20 Willcocks St. 3 p.m.

*Thursday, December 7*

### **Apiculture in the Tropics.**

G.F. Townsend, University of Guelph. 432 Ramsay Wright Zoological Laboratories. 4 p.m.

### **Haloforms in Canada.**

Dr. David Williams, Health and Welfare Canada, Ottawa. 130 Wallberg Building. 4 p.m. (IES and Environmental Engineering)

### **Particle Physics**

Dr. Quigg, Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory. 102 McLennan Physical Laboratories. 4.10 p.m.

### **Solid-liquid Interactions in Munchen.**

Dr. Wilhelm Neumann, Department of Mechanical Engineering. 252 Mechanical Building. 3.10 p.m.

### **The Impact of Capitalism on Jewish History: Seventeenth Century to the Present.**

Prof. Ellis Rivkin, Hebrew Union College, Cincinnati. Croft Chapter House, University College. 4 p.m. (The Joseph and Gertie Schwartz Memorial Lectures)

### **Interactions between *Pasteurella hemolytica* with Bovine Alveolar macrophages.**

Fred Markham, University of Guelph. 2082 South Building, Erindale College. 5.15 p.m.

*Tuesday, December 12*

### **How Plants Protect Themselves Against Rust (fungi).**

Dr. Michelle Heath, Department of Botany. Room 235, FitzGerald Building. 3 p.m. (Microbiology & Parasitology)

### **Clinical and Experimental Studies in Tumour Immunology.**

Dr. Sharad Deodhar, The Cleveland Clinic. Room 663, Mt. Sinai Hospital. 10 a.m. (Department of Pathology and Academy of Medicine)

## Concerts

*Tuesday, December 5*

### **Gregory Cross, baritone.**

Music Room, Hart House. 1.10 p.m.

*Wednesday, December 6*

### **Norma Lewicki-Tetreau, soprano; Frank Tetreau, piano.**

Program includes works by Scarlatti, Britten and Faure. Concert Hall, Royal Conservatory of Music.

*Thursday, December 7*

### **Mildred Bennett, piano.**

Works by Bach and Beethoven. Music Room, Hart House. 1.10 p.m. (Hart House Music Committee)

### **Hindemith's "Ludus Tonalis"**

Reginald Godden, pianist, commentary and performance. Walter Hall, Edward Johnson Building. 2.10 p.m.

### **T and B Cells in Lymphoproliferative Disorders.**

Dr. E. Musclow and Dr. S.C. Luk. Room 663, Mt. Sinai Hospital. 11 a.m.

*Wednesday, December 13*

### **Labour Relations in Quebec Since The P.Q. Victory.**

Ms. Fern Miller, PhD candidate, Yale University. Room 302, Centre for Industrial relations, 123 St. George St. 12.15 p.m.—1.45 p.m.

*Thursday, December 14*

### **Monitoring airborne contaminants in Ontario.**

Dr. Sam Stevens, Ontario Ministry of the Environment. 130 Wallberg Building. 4 p.m.

### **Research at TRIUMF**

Prof. J.T. Sample, director of TRIUMF, University of British Columbia. 102 McLennan Physical Laboratories. 4.10 p.m.

*Friday, December 8*

### **Principals of Historical Morphology.**

Prof. Henning Anderson, University of Copenhagen. Common Room, Second Floor, 21 Sussex Ave. 10.10 a.m. (SGS and Slavic Languages and Literatures)

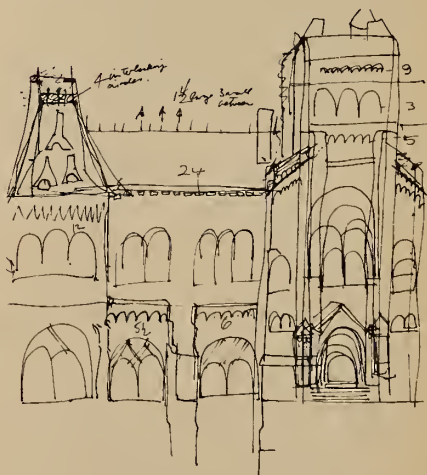
### **The significance of the quality of sample used in biological tests: experience with saccharin and amaranth.**

Dr. B. Stavric, Health Protection Branch, Ottawa. 2173 Medical Sciences Building. 11 a.m.

*Monday, December 11*

### **The Role of Cell Mediated Immunity in Autoimmune Diseases.**

Dr. Sharad Deodhar, The Cleveland Clinic. Room 2173, Medical Sciences Building. 12 noon. (Department of Pathology and Academy of Medicine)



*Sunday, December 10*

### **Orford String Quartet.**

Program includes works by Haydn, Britten and Schubert. Reserved tickets at box office, \$6, students and senior citizens \$3. Walter Hall Edward Johnson Building. 3 p.m. Information, 978-3744.

*Wednesday, December 13*

### **Trio Aulos.**

Peg Albrecht-Rannem, flute; Margot Rydall-Campbell, flute; Andrew Markow, piano. Program includes works by Camilleri, C.P.E. Bach and Doppler. Concert Hall, Royal Conservatory of Music. 12.15 p.m.

*Thursday, December 14*

### **Helena Bowkun, piano.**

Program of works by Brahms and Ravel. Concert Hall, Royal Conservatory of Music. 5.15 p.m.



## Declining high school enrolment and its effect on universities discussed in report from MCU

The Honourable Bette Stephenson, Minister of Colleges and Universities and Minister of Education, has issued a report analyzing the effect on post-secondary institutions of declining secondary school enrolment.

The report points to a potential drop in high school enrolment which may exceed 22 percent between 1976 and 1991. The extent of the decline will, however, vary widely among regions.

Two criteria were used to identify colleges and universities that may be vulnerable to severe enrolment declines if existing regional patterns continue:

- the institution draws more than half of its full-time undergraduate/post-secondary enrolment locally, and
- the local high schools are expected to experience a greater than average enrolment decline — 17 percent or more — through 1986.

Seven universities — Brock, Carleton, Lakehead, Laurentian, McMaster, Ottawa and Windsor, and 15 CAATs, including Durham, meet both criteria.

In the report, the situation of Queen's, Waterloo and Western draws the following comments: "Queen's, Waterloo and Western are located in areas with above average enrolment declines. However, Queen's and Waterloo draw only 20 and 29 percent of their students from their local area. Western is somewhat more dependent on local sources; it draws 38 percent from contiguous areas that expect a 20 percent drop in high school enrolments".

A special section discusses the situation in Metro Toronto:

- U of T, York and Ryerson retain close to two-thirds of the enrolments from their contiguous municipalities.

The area represented by Metro and contiguous regional municipalities is expecting a below average decline of 10 percent.

- relatively low percentages of enrolments come to U of T, York and Ryerson from surrounding regional municipalities: e.g. Peel 50 percent, York 27.4 percent, Durham 37 percent, Halton 23.5 percent, and Simcoe County 29.1 percent, compared with Metro 79 percent.

- applying the projected high school growth/decline statistics for the Toronto area to the full-time undergraduate enrolments, a U of T enrolment decline of 18 percent is forecast. Obviously, competition will be vigorous for potential students in the growing Peel, York, Durham, Simcoe, and Halton markets.

- "... the Toronto institutions themselves will experience at least an average shrinkage unless they increase their share of enrolments from the outer fringe of their major catchment area. In this respect, it should be noted that the U of T has a full range of professional offerings and two suburban campuses, which may prove to be an advantage in a competitive situation".

### Sunnybrook psychiatry head

Dr. Vivian Rakoff has recently been appointed head of the department of psychiatry at Sunnybrook Medical Centre. Until his appointment, Dr. Rakoff was director of post-graduate education, and a professor, in the Department of Psychiatry at U of T.

## Relations with the news media may be easier with these guidelines

Public awareness of the University of Toronto's policies, plans and programs can be improved by providing helpful information to the various news media. The Department of Information Services acts as a liaison with members of the faculty and staff and the media. For example, the *Bulletin* and the *Graduate* are distributed regularly to print and TV outlets in Toronto and its suburbs and further afield. News releases accompany this delivery or are sent separately, depending on the circumstances.

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Reporters and broadcast producers may call you directly for comments and information. Proper and prompt handling of press queries encourages reporters to seek information from University of Toronto sources and builds mutual respect and goodwill between the University and the media. For these reasons, we have prepared media guidelines which we hope you will find helpful.

### Guidelines for responding to media queries

- make a note of the reporter's name, the publication, station affiliation or program title, and the purpose of the story.

- assess whether or not you wish to answer the questions. If you are unsure, tell the reporter you will call back shortly. In the meantime, you may wish to prepare for the questions or find another, more appropriate person to respond. If possible, clear this first before you give other names to the reporter.

- start from the assumption that most journalists want to give a balanced, fair report. However, should undue bias on the part of the reporter become evident, there is no need to submit to an interview which causes you anxiety.

- normally, you are expected to comment only on the matters within your area of expertise, and you are under no obligation to offer personal opinions. If you do offer your opinion, make certain the reporter understands you are not speaking for your colleagues or for the University.

- if you wish to answer questions, you may prefer to prepare a written statement, keeping one on file for future reference. For telephone and face-to-face interviews marshal your thoughts on paper first.

- be as objective as possible when being interviewed. Be firm, positive, and "in command" of your information. If you do not wish to comment, do not hesitate to tell the reporter and refer him or her to the Department of Information Services. If you are in doubt about the interview, it is prudent to check with Information Services about procedure.

- there is no such thing as "off the record". Declaring yourself to be talking "off the record" — even on social occasions — puts a journalist on the spot, as the same information may be relayed through another source. Nor can you expect to remain an anonymous "spokesman". If you do not wish your name to be used, you should clarify this before talking to the reporter.

- a newsman is under no obligation to check his copy with you. However, for the sake of accuracy, when scientific or technical data are involved, you might suggest the reporter refer to you for checking prior to publication.

- when an interview is for broadcast, only the barest essentials can be reported. Keep your answers short and to the point.

- if you are asked to be interviewed on film, please request the producer to check with the Public Relations office, 978-2103, which is familiar with the various programs. The filming of a brief newscast item can be a lengthy, complicated procedure. Often, it is preferable to go to the station's TV studio for an in-depth interview.

- when being interviewed on radio or television, please bear in mind that it is helpful to identify the University of Toronto by name whenever possible. Simply mentioning "the university" can prove confusing to an audience which might identify with their local institution of higher learning, or wonder which university is being referred to when there is more than one in a community. It is best to be specific in your phrasing, as in, "Here at the University of Toronto, our research shows etc..."

- it would be helpful to receive a report from you on your media interviews, noting the topic involved.

If you wish editorial or media relations assistance, please contact the Department of Information Service. General questions and *Graduate* — Elizabeth Wilson, director, 978-2106; external media — Nona Macdonald, Public Relations Manager, 978-2103; *Bulletin* stories — Linda Wright, acting editor, 978-2104; *Bulletin* events — 978-2021.

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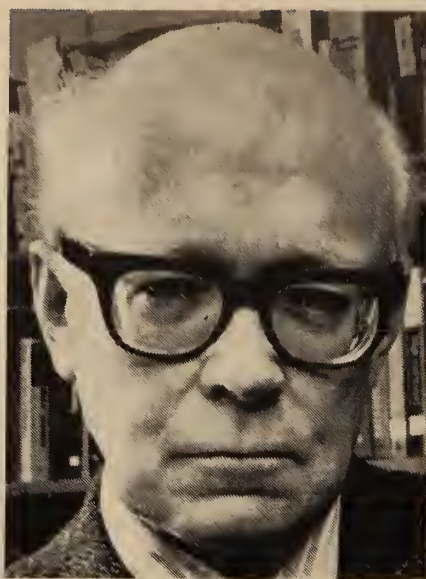
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## Let's not feel guilty about elitism

by James Cameron

*Does the Kelly Committee's Interim Report on the Undergraduate Curriculum suggest a return to the differentiation between "honours" and "general" programs along with the abolition of the credit system for students in the honours stream? Yes, and we shouldn't let a surplus of liberal guilt about elitism stand in the way, says James Cameron, Professor Emeritus (English and Philosophy), St. Michael's College, and author of The Idea of the University.*

The interim report of the Kelly Committee gives us a chance to think without too much constraint about the way in which we in Toronto arrange the education of undergraduates in the Faculty of Arts & Science. After close to a decade of the New Program, but with a good many people still here who remember the Old Program, it is perhaps possible to look back and to look forward, to pick out the mistakes as we look back, to guess how we might do things better in the future.

The report offers us some saving truths: university studies ought to be serious — we oughtn't to concern ourselves with modish froth; departments and colleges, potentially strong academic communities, not, or not merely, administrative machines and collections of buildings for sleeping and eating in, ought to have a clearer task set for them; we ought not to go in for windy chatter about educational topics (the authors of the report tell us that "several of us have been depressed by the very general and vague statements that so often masquerade as 'educational aims'"), and here the report sets an excellent example — no one "relates with" anyone or anything, meaningfully or otherwise, within or without any parameters, and what people have told the committee isn't transmuted into

"input"; tools such as the Calendar (one of the great puzzles of our time) ought to be made more usable; all teachers in all subjects ought, in marking and commenting about undergraduate writing, to say something useful about the formal quality of the writing; above all, we are here (all of us) in the University "to teach and to learn and to do research, not to move pieces of paper and not to sit on committees and boards".

This is strong stuff if it is taken seriously. I want to say something about what seems to me some consequences of taking the report seriously. Of course, it is an *interim* report and the final report may be stronger or weaker than the first draft. I hope it will be stronger and that the Kelly Report won't get pulled out of shape and fragmented, as happened with the Macpherson Report, often unfairly taken to be the begetter of the New Program. One of the weaknesses of the remission of reports to committees and assemblies representing a variety of interested parties is that what comes out of the discussion is a weak compromise that represents what nobody really wants; but the compromise is acceptable because it at least stops one's opponents from getting what they want. The only remedy for this is good leadership from the top. This is, I conceive, what presidents and deans are for: to pick out and back with all the force they can the good and promising ideas that challenge the cosy mediocrities we all like to shelter in.

Undergraduate studies must be given more shape and more continuity. This seems one of the plain lessons of the years of the New Program. Doing what one wants in the way of confecting an academic program doesn't in fact produce results that please anybody. Strong advice and some compulsion (if you want to do A you must also do B and C) in the first years of undergraduate study — the third and fourth years will then take care of themselves — seem sensible. We need more specialization. I would myself go further than does the report. It is often thought that the way to get a liberal education is to spread oneself over a wide field,

studying combinations of disparate subjects that are supposed, at some moment of illumination for the student, to "come together". I think this is on the whole a mistake. I am not against "majors" and "minors"; but I am convinced that historians or philosophers or students of modern literatures or physicists who specialize for at least two-thirds of their time and *also* are given a lot of leisure for reading and writing and talking about what they read and hear in lectures turn out in the end to be the most richly and broadly educated people.

Leisure, and the need for it: I find little recognition of the importance of this element in undergraduate education anywhere in the report. The reason, I believe is that the report doesn't look hard at the credit system. The system by which an undergraduate degree is earned by the accumulation of fifteen or twenty credits is the root difficulty in planning a satisfactory education of the "honours" standard, as the Old Program had it. By this system students are kept busy, but they don't learn (of course, some do, but they are pulling against the logic of the system) how to work hard and in depth. They are consumed by the reading and tasks prescribed for them in their five courses a year, running hither and thither across the campus from classroom to classroom. They have no leisure. I think the deepest ideas in the Kelly report require as their complement the abolition of the credit system, at least for students aiming at an "honours standard". Perhaps this would make it necessary to distinguish between "honours" students and others, and this would be administratively inconvenient and would offer some difficulties (not, I believe, insurmountable) to part-time students. It would be called "elitist" and all those\* with a lot of surplus liberal guilt would feel bad about such a proposal. But no one seriously goes along with the Dodo's decision at the end of the Caucus-race: "Everybody has won, and all must have prizes" (*Alice's Adventures in Wonderland*, ch. iii).

\*That is, all of us, including the writer.

## Is integrity outdated?

I was interested to see in the November 20 issue of the *Bulletin* the response of several members of the Faculty of Medicine to a letter criticizing the commencement oath taken by graduating medical students. The criticism was aimed at the decision of the graduating class to eliminate the following italicized words from the original version of the Declaration of Geneva: "I will maintain the utmost respect for human life, *from the time of conception*". I should like to raise several points concerning the response.

First, the authors of the response, reporting a casual survey of students, claim that the students "felt that the phrase *from the time of conception* was redundant; *respect for human life* was enough. The effect of the additional phrase, according to these students, was to eliminate options. Either the phrase is redundant, in which case it does not eliminate any options not eliminated by *respect for human life*. Or else, it is not redundant, in which case it does indeed eliminate options, options which the students are apparently unwilling to eliminate. The option is, of course, the practice of abortion. This leads to my second point.

The students (according to the authors) "felt that their obligation to serve the whole of the Canadian people

would be compromised if they were to close their minds to certain options before they even began their practice". I am again puzzled by the use of the phrase "Canadian people". Either this does not include the unborn, in which case selection of a "certain option" appears to be a foregone conclusion, or it does include the unborn. If it does, I wonder if the authors would be good enough to conduct another survey to determine in what ways students think that abortion serves unborn children?

Finally, the students are reported to have wanted "flexibility" in interpreting and defining their own medical practices. Perhaps it is an antediluvian prejudice of mine, but I would have thought that a certain amount of inflexibility, "integrity" as it used to be called, would be a salutary quality in someone about to enter the medical profession. Besides, what does "flexibility" mean? Is *everything* to be negotiable? Perhaps some members of the Faculty of Medicine will venture an opinion as to whether Dutch physicians, murdered because they refused to assist in Nazi extermination practices, including eugenic abortion, were insufficiently flexible.

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## Majority of our police honest

At this moment many of us on campus are shocked and saddened by the arrest of some members of the campus police force. Since there is usually a tendency to judge any minority by the lowest example set by any of its members, we should now remember that the majority of our colleagues in the police force are honest, dedicated and competent people, who are entirely without blame and

who deserve our support and help at a time of great stress. The arrests must be traumatic to them, too. Let us hope that competent and energetic leadership will help rebuild their shattered morale and let us help by giving our support and understanding.

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### Correction

A short article in the last *Bulletin* reported incorrectly on the joint membership plan for faculty and librarians. Those who elect to take advantage of the plan

will, for one price, receive joint membership in the Faculty Club, Hart House and the Department of Athletics & Recreation.

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